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TULIPS

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ORONOGO FLOWER GARDENS

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Carterville, Mo.

SMALL PLANTING STOCK

Terms: Cash with order, or satisfactory adjustment of credit before shipment.

Prices are per pound. Not less than a pound of a variety or grade furnished. Pound rates include postage.

10 pounds or more, any assortment, postpaid, 10% discount from face of order.

25 pounds or more, any assortment, express charges to be paid by customer, 25% discount from face of order.

The bulbs quoted are mixed small grades, except where grades are listed.

In case the size ordered is sold out, I will send equivalent value of the nearest available size unless otherwise instructed; but will not substitute varieties unless instructed to do so.

The size as given means the approximate number of bulbs to the pound at the time the grading was done. These bulbs are larger, represent more mature development, size for size, than imported bulbs, and therefore represent greater value bulk for bulk or weight for weight. All sizes except the smallest will give some increase, but more in proportion as the bulbs are larger. As near as I know, the prices of the different grades of a variety give equivalent values.

Bulbs of 125-size will practically all bloom, but the flowers will be small, while bulbs of 65-size, and of some varieties 75-size will give blooms nearly standard in size. Marketable blooms will be given by all bulbs of 100-size and larger. Even the small 250-size will give a fair sprinkling of tiny flowers.

City of Haarlem. Glowing deep red. \$2.40.

Melicette. Deep lavender. \$1.60.

Opal. Heliotrope-lilac. \$1.60.

Mattia. Vivid red. \$1.60.

La Tristesse. Dark slaty blue. None finer. \$1.40.

Rev. Ewbank. Brilliant heliotrope. \$1.40.

Marconi. Very dark maroon. \$1.40.

Rev. Wolley Dod. Very dark blue. \$1.40.

Edmee. Fine tall pink. \$1.40.

Sophrosyne. Superb dark pink. \$1.40.

Painted Lady. Soft lilac-white. Exquisite. \$1.20.

The following at \$1.00 per pound, any variety.

Striped Parrot. Red and orange. This and the following are the finest of all the parrots.

Yellow Parrot. Clear yellow, tipped scarlet.

Mrs. Cleveland. Flesh pink.

"c." White, tinted porcelain blue.

Gudin. Lilac, shaded to white at the edges of petals.

~~Bouton d'Or~~. Cup-shaped. Yellow, with black anthers.

Mrs. Moon. Tall. One of the finest yellows.

Inglescombe Yellow. Beautiful sulphur yellow. Very late.

Ellen Willmott. Pale primrose-yellow. Tall bud. Very late.

Clara Butt. Richest pink. Sizes 75, 90, 100, 140, 250, 600.

Farncombe Sanders. The favorite red. Sizes 80, 100, 125, 250.

Mixed Darwins. Sizes 100, 125, 250.

Mixed Late. All colors. Sizes 100, 120, 250.

For a cut flower trade Clara Butt is the first favorite, with Farncombe Sanders a close second, and some yellows are necessary. For bulbs to sell to the general public the mixtures and Clara Butt are in heaviest demand with me. The public wants variety and lots of it, at a convenient price, and this is furnished by the mixtures. My mixtures are composed of named varieties, and contain a full range of colors of their types. A large proportion of the bulbs in both mixtures are of cut-flower varieties, giving many colors not listed above, particularly white and light colors.

Tulips here should be planted three or four inches deep to the tops of the bulbs, deeper in light than in heavy soils. In the North they should perhaps be a little deeper. A soil that is good for potatoes, onions, and corn is good also for tulips. Do not doctor your soil for them.

There is no crop grown on the farm that is more easily managed or is surer to yield than the late tulip. Also there is no outdoor-grown flower which people will more readily buy. As they yield both a flower crop and a bulb crop, the income is large, and a large value can be grown on a comparatively small plot of ground. These bulbs give an opportunity to start a planting at a cost really insignificant for the stock.

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Of narcissus bulbs in small planting sizes I shall have some to offer in varieties Poeticus Grandiflorus, Horace, Chaucer, Pheasant Eye, Glory, White Standard: Leedsii Ariadne, White Lady: Barrii Conspicuus, Vivid, Blood Orange, Albatross: Incomparabilis Sir Watkin: Bicolor Victoria: White Trumpet William Goldring: Mixture.

If interested, write for list. The list can not be made out, however, until the bulbs are dug, therefore there may be delay in your receiving it.